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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant

: Reinhard Hamperl et al.

Applic. No.

: 09/940,050

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: August 27, 2001

Title

: Device and Method for Sensing an Object or a

Person in the Interior of a Vehicle and Vehicle Occupant Protection Apparatus in a

Vehicle with such a Device

Examiner : Lee S. Lum

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RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated December 13, 2002 kindly consider the following remarks:

Remarks:

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Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1-12 remain in the application.

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